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BILLY HELL CAPTURED AT YUBY DAM WHILE ATTEMPTING TO ROB JIM CROW BANK.

In making a raid on this place late yesterday evening, in which he and several of his cohorts made a vain attempt to rob the "Jimmie Crow Bank," Bad Billy Hell, was captured and is now in durance vile in Yuby Dam.

Great crowds of excited people are visiting the jail to get a peep at this noted desperado, who has been so active for the last few years, in leading other men of his own ilk and stripe over on our town, to rob and kill and as he boastfully said "to reduce the population down to a minimum or to wipe the town off the map." It was indeed a great catch and very fortunate for this place when we captured Bad Billy Hell, for he is a bad, bad man and has been a terror to this town and all my other towns for many years. It seems that he was born under an evil star and was goaded on by an evil spirit, all the way down his bloody career, his environments were bad from the beginning.

A "Whizzer" reporter visited him in his cell last night and heard him give a brief history of his life in his own words.

He said "I was born in in Gad Town, I met the doctor there for the first time about twenty years ago. About this time I was very humble circumstances, because my mother and father were very poor and I lived with them in Gad Town, and fared as they did all those first years of my life. My father, whose name was Sammy Hell, but generally went by the pet name of "Crosseyed Sammy Hell," was a desperado and a boot-legger up until I commenced, being about six years old. About this time he said, that he thought that he could do more good for himself and be of more help to others by moving to the Zig Zag Hollow, and making liquor, so I went along with him to our new home. I was not large enough at this time to take a very active hand with him in business, but I felt it was my duty to do something, so I carried water for him and Barefoot Owens, while they attended the still.

"So things jogged along for about six years, until one evil morning some bad revenue men dashed down upon our still and in the fight that followed my father was very brutally killed and the still destroyed and I quit carrying water and not having any futher business in Zig Zag Hollow. I moved with my mother to Fiddlers' Green in 1912, where she was remarried to old Billy Hell, a noted despeade and cut-throat of that town. I very often heard my step-father speak of his raids on Yuba Dam and surrounding towns and felt lonesome and longed to go with him, and help to wipe these places off the map, so I set about to be a desperado and bloomed out in my first raid with my step-father in 1919, in which we killed the town marshell, sheriff, and attorney general, and my step-father was killed by the mayor of Yuby Dam. I was left a poor orphan, with no one to advise me and give me help, and so I continued in my desperate career ever since, even up to this good day. I do not wish a trial but will submit my case and

James Dewey Smotherman Dies After Brief Illness.

James Dewey Smotherman, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Smotherman of this city, died in a hospital in Nashville at 8:30 o'clock last Monday night, Aug. 15th, 1921 after an illness of only a few weeks. He was 22 years of age, being born at Highland, Jackson County, on the 3rd day of December 1899. He removed to Carthage with his parents in the fall of 1900 and lived here the remainder of his life, and the town of Carthage never produced a more worthy young man.

Dewey Smotherman was indeed a good boy and had he been permitted to live he would have developed into a useful man. He was industrious, conscientious, and a Christian young man who stood on broad principals at all times. He professed religion when a small boy and joined the Carthage Methodist church and lived a true Christian life. He graduated from the Carthage high school in the class of 1919 and two years ago, he entered the medical department of Emory University at Atlanta, and was making a good record in all his work in the University. At the time the armistice of the late war was signed, Dewey was in training at Vanderbilt University, and had the war continued a short while longer he would likely have been in the service of his country in France.

Throughout his school attendance he always made high grades and was always highly respected by his school mates. During school vacations he sought employment and was always busy. It was his ambition to thoroughly equip himself as a physician and he strove to bear the larger burdens or such expense and relieve his parents in this respect.

Dewey Smotherman was such a young man as to make a fitting example for any boy to follow.

The remains were brought from Nashville on the noon train Tuesday and in the afternoon funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church by Rev. M. N. Ford, assisted by Revs. S. R. Bratcher and Orin Lynch, who spoke in the highest terms of the excellent character of the young man and the beautiful life he had lived. The esteem in which Dewey was held by those who knew him was manifested by the large collection of beautiful flowers that banked the altar during the funeral services.

The remains were laid to rest in the new Carthage cemetery.—Carthage Courier.

wait the day of the hanging.

Such in verbatim are the very words of Bad Bill Hell, and I think that the young generation should take warning from his life history and watch how they are born, and keep an eye on their environments.

The Beloved Slicker Snake.
The Mayor of Yuby Dam.

P. S.

The hanging will be this evening at one o'clock, everybody get an early dinner and be on the ground promptly, come prepared to enjoy yourself for this thing will go through, rain or shine.

Clipped from the Bill Town Whizzer.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST BRIEFLY TOLD

S. P. Pharris, of White's Bend, was in town Monday.

Loyd Hawkins is recovering from attack of remittent fever.

Jimmy Lynch, of Roaring river, visited the Sentinel office Saturday.

L. A. Webb, attorney, of Celina, was in Gainesboro this week.

Miss Hart Sparkman, of R-2, spent the week-end with Gainesboro relatives.

Vogle Murphy, of R-2, was a pleasant visitor at the Sentinel office Saturday.

Robert Smith, of R-3, spent two days at the Cookeville fair last week.

Ewin Smith, with Berry, Demovilla & Co., called on the local druggist Saturday.

Clay Reeves, representing, J. S. Reeves & Co., called on his Gainesboro customers last week.

Ray Tardy, who has been confined to his bed for the past week with malarial fever, is convalescent.

D. B. Johnson, B. L. Quarles and H. L. McDearman, have returned from a business trip to Columbus, Miss.

W. L. Brown, of Celina, was in Gainesboro Sunday, en route from Nashville, where he had been on business.

A. H. Jonnson, one of the leading farmers of R-2, was in town Saturday en route to Mississippi on a prospecting tour.

Mrs. H. B. Reeves and children, after a week's visit with Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Reeves, returned Sunday to their home near Gallatin. Mr. Reeves came for them Saturday.

Wesley Platt, who has been attending the State Normal at Murfreesboro, has returned to his home on R-3. He will remain at home until the fall session opens, when he will return and continue his special course in agriculture.

Rev. A. K. Early filled his appointment at the M. E. church Sunday night. Rev. Early has just closed a week's revival at old Corinth. He reports a good meeting with large attendance, and feels that the people of that community have been spiritually blessed, and that much good has been accomplished. He will fill his appointment at Flynn's Lick Sunday Aug. 28th.

The body of Frank Richmond was brought to the Henry Richmond cemetery on Flynn's creek last Sunday for interment. Among those who attended from Gainesboro were: Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Montgomery, Mrs. Alty Shoulders and M. B. Haile, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McCauley, Mr. and J. M. Draper, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Draper, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Haile, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lynch, H. R. Haile, J. B. Anderson and R. G. Johnson. Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Baugh.

Dr. H. P. Loftis was on the sick list last week.

R. B. Crowder, of Stone, was in town Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Ofa Johnson was the guest of Cookeville relatives Monday.

Z. T. Brown, of Nashville, is visiting his son, Chas Brown, of Granville.

Miss Winnie Page, of Granville, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. P. J. Anderson during the week-end.

W. L. Dixon, has returned from Nashville, where he was called on account of the illness of his sister, Mrs. Richardson.

Miss Annette Draper, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Nashville and Gallatin for the past two weeks, has returned.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Allen and family and Mr. and Mrs. Filander Terry and family, of Livingston, were in Gainesboro Tuesday en route to Mr. Terry's father, W. C. Terry, on R-2.

Carl Hogg, of Randolph Texas, is visiting his uncle, J. T. Hogg, at Flynn's Lick. Mr. Hogg is the son of John Hogg, a former citizen of this county. Carl has a good many relatives in the county and he will be in several weeks if he sees them all.

Mrs. J. M. Summers, of Hendersonville, who has been visiting her brothers, Dr. and J. D. Loftis left Sunday for Cookeville, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. J. W. Stamps for several days before returning home.

Prof. J. H. Cox, of Jackson Tenn, who has been employed as principal of the Gainesboro High School, arrived in Gainesboro last week, accompanied by his family. They are occupying the home formerly occupied by B. L. Quarles, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Quarles have in the house with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pearson and children of DeFeated, were in town Tuesday en route to Cookeville, where they will visit relatives and attend the big union revival that is in progress there. They stopped over for medical treatment for their son, who had wrenched his back in cranking a car when they started from home. The injured back some responded to the treatment of the doctor and they continued their journey.

Members of the Gainesboro Christian Sunday school enjoyed their annual picnic Tuesday, under the beautiful shady beeches on the W. A. Draper farm, on the north side of Cumberland river. A general invitation had been given out to anyone who wished to go, and a large crowd was present. Everybody carried lunches, which was served at the noon hour, and it is useless to say, was the most important hour of the program. It was the most enjoyable outings the school has ever had, and both old and young were happy alike.

Hryam C. Smith, Soldier of World War.

Hryam C. Smith was born February 11th, 1891, and was reared in the 8th district of Jackson County. In November, 1915, he moved with his father, Silas Smith to Overton County.

He was drafted into the army at Livingston on May 28, 1918, where he entrained for Camp Pike, Little Rock, Ark. He trained at this camp for two months and was then transferred to Camp Merrit, N. J. On Aug., 11, 1918 he made the following pledge: "I hereby pledge my allegiance to the Lord Jesus as my Savior and King, and by God's help will fight His battles for the victory of His Kingdom."

He remained at Camp Merrit only a short time, and then sailed for England, where he arrived in due time. After remaining in England a few weeks he embarked for France. It was while crossing the English Channel that he was taken ill with spinal meningitis. He was taken from the ship to the hospital in France. He died Dec. 11th, 1918, after an illness of eleven weeks. His remains were interred in the American cemetery at Le Harve, France. In July this year the remains was brought to the United States. The remains arrived at Cookeville, Aug. 6, where the parents and two brothers and a number of friends meet the remains and conveyed it to their home in Overton county. A large number of friends were awaiting their arrival. On the following night service was held at the home conducted by Rev. Jimmie Hooten.

On Monday, Aug. at 10 A. M., the funeral service was held, conducted by Bro. Marion Harris and Bro. Leander Allen. The remains was then interred in the New Hope cemetery. Between 800 and 1000 people attended the funeral.

The deceased is survived by his mother and father, four sisters and six brothers. All were present except his brother, Bart Smith and sister, Mrs. Susan Poston, who live in Okla., and one sister, Mrs. Maud Keith, who lives on Jennings creek.

The bereaved deeply appreciate the sympathy of all their friends, and thank them for their many kindness.

Contributed.

Miss Josephine Snapp of Oklahoma City, Okla., who attended the service held at the American cemetery at Le Harve, France, on Memorial Day, 1919, wrote the following letter to Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

"I happened to be at your son's grave in France last Memorial Day, and thought you would like to hear about the services held there.

"It was a small American cemetery, the one in Le Harve, as there were only about two hundred graves in all. But we had quite a company to do honor to the dead, for I was in a large party of women who were working with the Y. M. C. A., and there was a company of American soldiers, besides some French soldiers and town people.

"The portion of the cemetery, where the American graves are, is on high ground. It was a beautiful day, last Memorial Day, and there were many daisies in bloom in the fields around. We had all brought fresh flowers

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FEED, SEED AND FERTILIZER INSPECTION GIVEN FREE TO FARMERS OF TENNESSEE.

The operation of Tennessee Department of Agriculture's division of feed, seed and fertilizer inspection reaches to the most sections of the State and affect directly every feeder of live stock, every farmer in the State. If the services offered by this inspection were taken advantage of by the people, many thousand dollars would be saved to them annually, at no cost, for the service is free.

Impure agricultural seeds have cost the farmers of Tennessee every year much more than can be estimated in dollars and cents and a large part of this great loss could have been prevented. None of the large seed dealers in the State will buy Tennessee grown red clover seed, but go to other States for that seed, because 90 per cent of the Tennessee red clover seed contains Dodder (Lovevine), the worst enemy with which the clover grower has to contend. The Tennessee seed carry this noxious weed because farmers have not exercised proper care in buying seed for planting, and have sown weed seeds along with low grade clover seed. Farmers are too often influenced by the low price when they go to buy field seeds. Purest seed are cheapest in the long run.

It is the duty of seed inspectors to examine agricultural seed offered for sale in the State, and whenever seeds below the standard required by law is found it is their duty to prohibit its sale, and if necessary, confiscate the seed and prosecute the dealers. But when we consider the vast territory included in the State, and the fact that only three traveling inspectors are provided to cover all of this territory, it is readily seen that it is physically impossible to reach all points often enough. In consequence, many shipments of seed get by without being examined. There is a remedy for this, but it does not seem to be generally appreciated.

The State maintains a seed testing laboratory and will inspect any samples of seed sent in by farmers. Farmers should take advantage of this and send samples to the State Chemist before buying. The seed will be tested and the farmer advised as to their purity or impurity. Dealers and consumers are asked to co-operate with the Department of Agriculture by taking advantage of this service which tends to protect them against fraud.

The consumers of commercial feedstuffs and commercial fertilizers have at their command the services of the same inspection Bureau, and the Department asks the same to co-operation in to these commodities so largely used by farmers. Many tons of low grade feeds are shipped into the State, and while it is probable that the greater part of such shipments are caught by the inspectors, some of it gets by, and the consumers who buy such feed is defrauded.

For the protection of the consumer, it is required by law that all packages or bags of fertilizer be plainly marked, giving the guaranteed chemical analysis, in terms of the valuable constituents. In the case of

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